

# **Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago**

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, March 6, 2014**

**10:00 AM**

**Board Room**

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Commissioner Frank Avila, Vice-President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Chairman of Finance Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Commissioner Kari K. Steele, Commissioner Patrick D. Thompson, President Kathleen Therese Meany*

#### **THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:**

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.**
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.**

## Call Meeting to Order

President Kathleen Therese Meany presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; Kari K. Steele; Patrick D. Thompson; and Kathleen Therese Meany

## Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Frank Avila, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

## Recess and Reconvene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, to recess and reconvene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

## Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:10 a.m. President Kathleen Therese Meany reconvened the regular board meeting to order

## Finance Committee

### Report

- 1 [14-0155](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of January 2014, in the amount of \$33,104,300.78

**Attachments:** [January 2014 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

- 2 [14-0184](#) Report on the investment interest income during November 2013

**Attachments:** [Inv Int Inc 2013-11 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

- 3 [14-0186](#) Report on investments purchased during November 2013

**Attachments:** [Inv Purch 2013-11 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

- 4    [14-0187](#)    Report on the investment interest income during December 2013

**Attachments:**    [Inv Int Inc 2013-12 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 5    [14-0188](#)    Report on investments purchased during December 2013

**Attachments:**    [Inv Purch 2013-12 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 6    [14-0189](#)    Report on investment inventory statistics at December 31, 2013

**Attachments:**    [Inv Stat 2013 Q4 Inv.pdf](#)  
                              [Inv Stat 2013 Q4 Fin Mkt.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 7    [14-0190](#)    Report on investments purchased during January 2014

**Attachments:**    [Inv Purch 2014-01 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 8    [14-0191](#)    Report on the investment interest income during January 2014

**Attachments:**    [Inv Int Inc 2014-01 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

## **Procurement Committee**

### **Report**

- 9    [14-0167](#)    Report on rejection of bids for Contract 13-907-11, Furnish and Deliver a Portable, Diesel-Powered Generator to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$50,000.00

**Published and Filed**

- 10   [14-0168](#)    Report of bid opening of Tuesday, February 11, 2014

**Published and Filed**

- 11   [14-0175](#)    Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 14-RFP-20, Auditing Services of Engineering Contracts, estimated cost \$50,000.00, Account 101-40000-601170, Requisition 1376088. (As Revised)

**Published and Filed**

- 12 [14-0192](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, February 25, 2014

**Published and Filed**

- 13 [14-0193](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 14-673-11, Heavy Equipment Repairs at Various Locations, estimated cost \$972,000.00

**Published and Filed**

#### **Authorization**

- 14 [14-0174](#) Authorization to enter into an agreement with a successful Proposer(s) for the Request for Proposal (RFP) 14-RFP-18, Supply of Electricity, Accounts 101-66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-612150

**Approved**

- 15 [14-0180](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of February 20, 2014, regarding Authority to issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Black and Veatch Corporation for professional engineering services Contract 13-106-4F Des Plaines Inflow Tunnel, Stickney Service Area, in an amount not to exceed \$2,070,574.17, Account 401-50000-601420, Requisition 1374517, Agenda Item No. 36, File No. 14-0142

**Approved**

#### **Authority to Advertise**

- 16 [14-0149](#) Authority to advertise Contract 14-672-11 Furnishing and Delivering Tires for Heavy Equipment to Various Locations, estimated cost \$105,000.00, Account 101-66000-623250, Requisition 1371564

**Approved**

- 17 [14-0150](#) Authority to advertise Contract 14-665-11 Landscape Maintenance, estimated cost \$717,500.00, Accounts 101-66000/67000/68000/69000-612420, Requisition 1364354

**Approved**

- 18 [14-0165](#) Authority to advertise Contract 14-006-11 Furnish and Deliver Janitorial Supplies to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, estimated cost \$78,000.00, Accounts 101-20000-623110, 623170, 623660

**Approved**

#### **Issue Purchase Order**

- 19    [14-0145](#)    Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 13-RFP-22 District Affirmative Action Ordinance Disparity Study, with Colette Holt & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$290,085.00, Account 101-30000-601170, Requisition 1366367

**Approved**

- 20    [14-0171](#)    Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 13-RFP-29 Examination Consulting Services, with MPR Engineering Corp, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$135,000.00, Account 101-25000-601170, Requisition 1368292

**Deleted by the Executive Director**

- 21    [14-0177](#)    Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with the United States Department of the Interior United States Geological Survey for the Streetscapes Project, in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00, Account 501-50000-612490, Requisition 1367939

**Approved**

- 22    [14-0182](#)    Issue purchase order for Contract 14-102-12, Furnish and Deliver Maintenance, Inspection and Repair of Lysimeters and Monitoring Wells, to Patrick Engineering, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$44,500.00, Account 101-16000-612490, Requisition 1367624

**Approved**

- 23    [14-0194](#)    Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with the Public Building Commission of Chicago to conduct the Investment Grade Energy Audit Phase as part of the Intergovernmental Agreement, in an amount not to exceed \$525,000.00, Account 201-50000-601170, Requisition 1375067

**Approved**

#### **Award Contract**

- 24    [14-0158](#)    Authority to award Contract 04-015-2V, Storeroom Building Expansion at the Terrence J. O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant, to Path Construction Company, in an amount not to exceed \$2,096,000.00, plus a five (5) percent allowance for change orders, in an amount of \$104,800.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$2,200,800.00, Account 201-50000-645680, Requisition 1363450

**Attachments:**    [08-AA REC.pdf](#)  
                          [PROJECT VIEW.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 25    [14-0160](#)    Authority to award Contract 14-625-11, Diving Services at Various Locations, to Lindahl Marine Contractors, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$134,320.00, Account 101-66000-612490, Requisition 1366868

**Approved**

- 26    [14-0161](#)    Authority to award Contract 13-720-21, Building Restoration at the O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant, to Old Veteran Construction, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$606,527.88, Account 201-50000-645780, Requisition 1361176

Attachments:    [08-AA REC.pdf](#)

Approved

#### Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 27    [14-0178](#)    Authority to increase Contract 08-170-3D (RE-BID) Office, Shop, & Storage Facility Service Tunnel Rehabilitation at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to Path Construction Company, Inc., in an amount of \$47,286.87, from an amount of \$758,713.36, to an amount not to exceed of \$806,000.23, Account 401-50000-645750, Purchase Order 5001402 (As Revised)

Attachments:    [CO 08-170-3P.PDF](#)

Approved

- 28    [14-0179](#)    Authority to decrease Contract 04-131-2D Rehabilitation of the A/B and C/D Service Tunnels - Phase One, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to F.H. Paschen/S.N. Nielsen in an amount of \$1,576.30, from an amount of \$13,634,791.65, to an amount not to exceed \$13,633,215.35, Account 401-50000-645750, Purchase Order 5001396

Attachments:    [CO 04-131-2D.PDF](#)

Approved

- 29    [14-0181](#)    Authority to increase Contract 09-942-11, Job Order Contracting Services, with Meccor Industries Ltd., in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000.00, from \$12,000,000.00 to \$16,000,000.00, Accounts 101, 201, 401, and 501 Funds

Attachments:    [PRESUMPTIVE REPORT.pdf](#)

Approved

#### Budget & Employment Committee

##### Authorization

- 30    [14-0143](#)    Authority to transfer 2013 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$1,230,000.00 in the Corporate Fund

Attachments:    [03.06.14 Board Transfer BF5.pdf](#)

Approved

#### Judiciary Committee

**Report**

- 31 [14-0170](#) Report on the Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claims and Miscellaneous Claims under \$10,000.00

**Attachments:** [Settlements 3.6.14.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

**Real Estate Development Committee****Authorization**

- 32 [14-0152](#) Authority to amend Board Order of October 3, 2013 authorizing the commencement of statutory procedures to lease 5.8+/- acres of District real estate located south of Oakton Street and east of the CTA railroad tracks in Skokie, Illinois and known as North Shore Channel Parcels 5.01, 5.02 and 5.03 to include an additional 1.5+/- acres of District real estate located at 3459 Oakton Street in Skokie, Illinois and known as part of North Shore Channel Parcel 6.12 (*Deferred from the February 20, 2014 Board Meeting*)

**Attachments:** [2-20-14 deferred to 3-6-14 AERIAL OF OAKTON ST PROPERTIES.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 33 [14-0153](#) Authority to amend lease agreement dated April 21, 1994, between the District and the Skokie Park District to surrender a 1.5+/- acre portion of its 34.8 acre leasehold located at 3459 Oakton Street in Skokie, Illinois and known as part of North Shore Channel Parcel 6.12. Consideration shall be \$10.00 (*Deferred from the February 20, 2014 Board Meeting*)

**Attachments:** [2-20-14 deferred to 3-6-14 AERIAL OF OAKTON ST PROPERTIES.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 34 [14-0154](#) Authority to grant a 25-year, 20' x 200' non-exclusive easement to the Village of Lincolnwood to continue to construct, maintain, operate, repair and remove a 54-inch storm sewer and outfall on District North Shore Channel Parcel 7.06 in Lincolnwood, Illinois. Consideration shall be \$10.00

**Attachments:** [3-6-14 bd ltr attachment 25 yr easement to Village of Lincolnwood.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 35 [14-0156](#) Authority to issue a 2-year permit extension to BP to continue to access District real estate to perform environmental remediation and monitoring activities at BP's former leasehold located at 3266 W. Devon Avenue in Lincolnwood, Illinois; North Shore Channel Parcel 7.03. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [3-4-14 brd ltr attachment2 yr permit extension to BP.pdf](#)

Approved

## Miscellaneous and New Business

### Resolution

- 36 [14-0146](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the month of March 2014 as Women's History Month

Adopted

### Additional Agenda Items

- 37 [14-0198](#) Authority to increase Contract 73-161-EH McCook Reservoir Excavation Agreement, to Vulcan Construction Materials, L.P., in an amount of \$215,000.00, from an amount of \$66,495,394.23, to an amount not to exceed \$66,710,394.23, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 5000176

Attachments: [CO 73-161-EH.pdf](#)

Approved

### Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 20

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele, Patrick D. Thompson, Kathleen Therese Meany

## Meeting Summary

### Speakers

*George Blakemore, concerned citizen, addressed the Board on various items ( Re: Procurement item #13 and #29) (Judiciary Item #31)*

*Charles Deringer, concerned citizen, addressed the Board on various items (Re: Procurement Item #14 and #21)*

**Summary of Requests**

*David St. Pierre*

*1. Frank Avila requested the overhead rate be included in the RFP scope of work (Re: Procurement Item #11)*

*2. Debra Shore asked if there was a mechanisms that could be put in place by the District to help capture errors in time to remedy bid rejections (Re: Procurement Item #13)*

*3. Frank Avila requested that District contracts not include Pesticides (Re: Procurement Item #17)*

*4. Debra Shore requested that the cut sheet be included with the Board Transmittal Letter (Re: Procurement Item #24)*

**Study Session**

*A Study Session is scheduled for the Committee on Real Estate Development for Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at 100 East Erie, Chicago, Illinois. The purpose of the Study Sessions is to discuss the District's Land Use Policy.*

**Announcements**

*None*

**Board Letter Submission Dates**

**The next regular board meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2014, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.**

**Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: March 7, 2014.**

**Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., March 12, 2014.**

**Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that when the Board adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., and also move that today's meeting be adjourned.**

**The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**/s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk**

**Aye:** 8 - Frank Avila, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele, Patrick D. Thompson, Kathleen Therese Meany

**Absent:** 1 - Michael A. Alvarez

**APPROVAL:**

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this March 6, 2014, are hereby approved.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Kathleen Therese Meany  
President Board of Commissioners of the  
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

March 6, 2014